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Examiner's Remarks

Priority

This application is a continuation of 08/734,817, filed 22 October 1996, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of 08/545,591, filed 13 November 1995, now abandoned, which is a 371 based on PCT/SE94/00415, filed May 6, 1994, claiming foreign priority of SE 9301599, filed 10 May 1993.

On or about May 22, 2003, It had come to the attention of the examiner that the Declaration/Oath filed 5/30/2000, did not claim priority of intervening U.S. application 08/545,591 which was subject to a request of a file wrapper continuation-in-part application which resulted in abandonment in result of the file-wrapper serial no. 08/734,817 (22 October 1996) which continued in pendency as a C-I-P file-wrapper Application 08/734,817.

A telephone request was made by the Examiner on May 23, 2003 to the office of Jim Larsen in order to resolve the formal matters with regards re-connecting chain of the claim of the priority of the file wrapped U.S. application. A request was may to submit a new Declaration/Oath with the additional of a claim of priority under 35 USC 120 of the intervening file wrapped U.S. application 08/545,591.


A facsimile copy was submitted and received by the examiner on 12 June 2003, and entered as paper no. 27.

As such, the claim of priority now is deemed as sufficient to support the subject matter as claimed, and has been afforded a priority date as supported by such claims of

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priority. Accordingly, the claims have been indicated as being allowable art of record (see Notice of Allowability, paper no 26, mailed 18 April 2003).

Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Tony G Soohoo whose telephone number is (703) 308-2882. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Tues. - Fri. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.


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